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Japanese Nos. 11-42771 and 11-48493 are identified on page 2 of the specification.

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DISCUSSION

Japanese No. 11-42771 - An apparatus for restricting a variation in ink concentration while moisture in ink is extracted when a deaeration is carried out.

Japanese No. 63-145039 - This invention comprises a deaeration chamber arranged between an ink jet head and an ink supplying tank to have an ink reservoir inside thereof, and a valve arranged above the deaeration chamber to conduct with surrounding atmosphere or shut off surrounding atmosphere.

Japanese No. 11-48493 - Ink is supplied to the recording head through the deaeration device for heating the ink in the tank to a temperature more than room temperature.

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